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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of August 10, 2006, please amend the above-identified application as follows. The English language application and the appropriate filing fee also accompany this response.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks / Arguments begin on page 11 of this paper.

Appendix including English language translation of Japanese patent and verification is attached following page 15 of this paper.

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